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Susan A. Lamb, Chair
Senate Committee on Educational Policy
Office of the Senate
228 English Building, MC-461

Dear Professor Lamb:

Enclosed are copies of a proposal from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to establish a campus-wide Minor in Political Science.

This proposal has been approved by the LAS Courses and Curricula, Academic Affairs and Executive committees; it now requires Senate review.

Sincerely,



Keith A. Marshall
Staff Associate

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c: A. Mester
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FORMAT FOR PRESENTATION OF PROPOSALS
TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

Please prepare a brief statement (two pages or less) conforming to the outline below. Please submit the proposal to the Ann Mester, Assistant Dean, LAS College Office, 294 Lincoln Hall, MC 448. The proposal will be reviewed by the College and forwarded to appropriate campus offices for necessary additional approval. **The section on Budgetary and Staff Implications must be addressed.** Additional supporting detail for consideration by the Committee should be attached as appendices. PLEASE SUBMIT AN ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY.

SPONSOR: Please include the name, phone number, and e-mail of a faculty member knowledgeable about the proposal.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Where applicable, note whether state program requirements include additional requirements in the form of prerequisite courses.

JUSTIFICATION

BUDGETARY AND STAFF IMPLICATIONS:

- a Additional staff and dollars needed
- b. Internal reallocations (changes in class size, teaching loads, student-faculty ratio, etc.)
- c. Effect on course enrollments in other departments and explanations of discussions with representatives of those departments.
- d Impact on library, computer use, laboratory use, equipment, etc.

GUIDELINES FOR UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION

CLEARANCES:

John F. Donnell 3-31-00
Department/Unit Head Date

School Approval (if applicable) Date
Ann Mester 11/7/00
Asst. Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Date

Assoc. Dean, Graduate College Date

Assoc. Provost Date

STATEMENT FOR THE BULLETIN:

EFFECTIVE DATE:

Sponsor: Professor Peter Nardulli, Head, Department of Political Science, 361 Lincoln Hall, 3-3880, <nardulli@uiuc.edu>

Brief Description: A formal minor in political science consisting of at least 18 hours of credit in coordinated levels and sub-fields.

Justification: A minor in political science will be an attractive option for some students self-designated as pre-law but majoring in another discipline. Since political science is first choice for nearly 500 LAS students there is every reason to expect that it ranks second for quite a few others. We believe that many of these students will welcome and appreciate the additional structure and recognition provided by a formal minor.

Budgetary and Staff Implications:

- a) Since a newly established minor does not involve creation of new or revised courses, its budgetary or staff implications are entirely a matter of changes in enrollments. These are difficult to predict, but we do not feel that they will be so great as to require additional staff and dollars.
- b) Internal reallocations probably will not be necessary. If students attracted to the minor are disproportionately interested in pre-law type courses, we may need to review our offerings and staffing in what we call the public law sub-field. But this will be done in any event as we work through staffing changes that are beginning even now. Overall, however, we believe that a newly available minor in political science will not have a major impact on enrollments in political science courses. For one thing, many students selecting the minor probably would have pursued related coursework in political science had the minor not been available. Moreover, the number of majors in political science has declined in recent semesters, and few of our courses have been full to capacity. In the current (spring 00) semester, for example, many seats are available in political science courses at all levels. Taking a long view, therefore, we do not expect teaching loads or student-faculty ratios to be significantly affected.
- c) We foresee no significant impact on course enrollments in other departments and,
- d) similarly, no impact on libraries, equipment utilization, etc.

Advising for the Minor:

The Department of Political Science's Director of Undergraduate Studies will monitor the admission process and will be responsible for advising students enrolled in the minor. It is our intent that students from any college who have the standing required to transfer into Political Science as a major would qualify for admission to the minor. The College's normal degree audit system will be responsible for certifying completion of the minor.

Statement for the Bulletin:

By providing structure and recognition to coursework that students pursuing other majors can take in political science, the minor in political science will enhance those students' ability to deal intelligently and critically with information and ideas about politics and related matters. The minor permits choices among a range of sub-fields, each involving important theoretical and applied questions about the roles of citizens, associations, and states in the distribution and application of political power. Within the selected sub-fields, students' exposure will include advanced courses that build on relevant introductory courses and thus provide in-depth treatment of topics that should support the subject matter to which they are more fully exposed in their respective majors.

MINOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

HOURS	REQUIREMENTS
3	Select one of the following courses: POL S 100—Introduction to Political Science POL S 150—American Government
6	Select at least two of the following courses: POL S 230—Racial and Ethnic Politics POL S 240—Introduction to Comparative Politics POL S 250—Introduction to Public Policy POL S 260—Introduction to Political Theory POL S 270—Introduction to Political Research POL S 280—Introduction to International Relations
9	Select at least three courses at the 300-level. These courses must be selected from sub-fields in which credit already has been completed. For a listing of courses by sub-field see the "Sub-fields for the Minor in Political Science" handout (available in 364 Lincoln Hall).
18	Total required hours

Effective Date: FALL 2001

POLITICAL SCIENCE COURSES

(Not all courses offered every semester)

GENERAL:

- 100—Introduction to Political Science
- 199—Undergraduate Open Seminar
- 290—Individual Study
- 293—Senior Honors Thesis
- 295—Special Topics in Contemporary Issues and Problems
- 296—Special Topics in Political Science
- 297—Honors Seminar
- 299—Government Internship
- 370—Selected Topics in Women and Politics

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS:

- 150—American Government: Organization and Powers
- 230—Introduction to US Racial and Ethnic Politics
- 235—Women in Politics
- 305—Municipal Government
- 306—Municipal Problems
- 312—State Government
- 314—The Presidency
- 315—Legislatures and Legislation
- 317—The American Federal System
- 322—Politics and the Media
- 325—Latino Politics
- 326—American Political Parties
- 327—Black Political Participation in the American Political Process
- 350—Law and Society

- 351—American Constitutional System
- 354—The Judicial Process
- 355—The Constitution and Civil Liberties
- 357—Human Rights
- 359—Contemporary Supreme Court Policy Making

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS:

- 280—Introduction to International Relations
- 281—Introduction to International Security and Arms Control
- 282—Politics and Policy in the Vietnam War: Unit One Seminar
- 292—Thesis in International Relations
- 371—World International Organizations
- 375—Politics of the Global Economy
- 377—International Communications
- 380—Comparative Foreign Relations
- 381—American Foreign Relations
- 382—Contemporary American Foreign Policies
- 383—Soviet and Post-Soviet Foreign Policy
- 384—International Relations
- 385—International Law
- 386—International War and Peace
- 387—National Security Policy
- 388—Government and Politics of the Global Society
- 389—Chinese Foreign Policy

COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS:

- 222—Introduction to Modern Africa
- 240—Introduction to Comparative Politics
- 241—The Emerging Nations
- 243—Pan Africanism in the Americas, Europe, and Africa
- 331—British Government
- 332—African Independence and Underdevelopment: 1945 to Present
- 335—Government and Politics of Russia and Other Post-Soviet Successor States
- 336—Government and Politics of Western Continental Europe
- 337—Government and Politics of China
- 338—Government and Politics in the Middle East
- 339—Islam and Society in the Modern Middle East and North Africa
- 340—The German Political System
- 342—Government and Politics in Latin America
- 343—Political Systems and Structures of Latin American Countries
- 345—Government and Politics of Sub-Saharan Africa
- 346—Government and Politics of East Central Europe
- 347—Government and Politics of Southeast Asia
- 348—Government and Politics of Japan
- 349—Government and Politics of South Asia
- 376—Comparative Political Economy

POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY:

- 260—Introduction to Political Theory
- 391—Topics in Non-Western Political Thought
- 392—Socialist Political Theory
- 393—Classical Political Theory

- 395—Modern Political Theory
- 396—Topics in Contemporary Political Theory
- 397—American Political Theory
- 398—Theory and Practice of Democratic Government

FORMAL THEORY AND EMPIRICAL METHODOLOGY:

- 270—Introduction to Political Research
- 328—An Introduction to the Study of Political Behavior
- 329—Electoral Behavior
- 390—Methods of Political Analysis

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION/PUBLIC POLICY:

- 250—Introduction to Public Policy
- 300—Socio-Economic Management as Public Policy
- 361—Introduction to Public Administration
- 362—Administrative Organization and Policy Development